

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEVADA

PROGRESSIVE DIRECT INSURANCE
COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ROBERT HORNBUCKLE, GEORGE THOMAS,
and LORA WRIGHT

Defendants.

Case No. 2:13-cv-02293-GMN-NJK

ORDER

Pending before the Court is the parties' Stipulation for a Limited Stay of Discovery Pending Order on Motion to Dismiss Complaint for Declaratory Relief. Docket No. 18. The parties seek to stay all discovery in this matter pending a decision on Defendants George Thomas' and Lora Wright's Motion to Dismiss Complaint for Declaratory Relief, filed February 24, 2014. Docket No. 6.

The pendency of a dispositive motion alone, however, does not in itself stay discovery deadlines. *See, e.g., Ministerio Roca Solida v. U.S. Dep't of Fish & Wildlife*, 288 F.R.D. 500 (D. Nev. 2013) ("The Federal Rules of Civil Procedure do not provide for automatic or blanket stays of discovery when a potentially dispositive motion is pending"); *Tradebay, LLC v. eBay, Inc.*, 278 F.R.D 597, 600 (D. Nev. 2011) (same). "It is well-established that a party seeking a stay of discovery carries the heavy burden of making a strong showing why discovery should be stayed." *Tradebay*, 278 F.R.D. at 601. "A showing that discovery may involve some inconvenience and expense does not establish good cause for issuance of a stay." *Id.* Conclusory statements regarding the benefit of a stay are plainly insufficient. *Id.* at 601-02. In order to meet this requirement, the

1 movant must, as a threshold matter, establish that the “pending motion must be potentially
2 dispositive of the entire case or at least dispositive of the issue on which discovery is sought.” Id.

3 In their Stipulation, the parties fail to make the required showing for the Court to grant a stay of
4 discovery. If the parties wish to delay or extend deadlines, they must seek a stay of discovery or deadline
5 extension from the Court. Accordingly, the parties’ Stipulation to stay all discovery in this matter is
6 hereby DENIED.

7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

8 DATED: May 27, 2014.

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13 NANCY J. KOPPE
14 United States Magistrate Judge
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